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September 21, 2001

Mr. David Waddell  
Executive Secretary  
Tennessee Regulatory Authority  
460 James Robertson Parkway  
Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

Re: *Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and the Electric Power Board of Chattanooga Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.*  
Docket No. 01-00542 *OC 838*

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, The Electric Power Board of Chattanooga ("EPB") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") are hereby submitting to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority the original and thirteen copies of the attached Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated May 11, 2001. The Amendment incorporates an option that will allow EPB to select a BellSouth provided LATA-wide local calling area.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

  
Guy M. Hicks

cc: W.E. Chapman, Jr., Senior Vice President, Electric Power Board of Chattanooga

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY  
Nashville, Tennessee

In re: *Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and the Electric Power Board of Chattanooga Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*

Docket No. 01-00542- 00838

**PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF THE**  
**AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT**  
**NEGOTIATED BETWEEN BELL SOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.**  
**AND THE ELECTRIC POWER BOARD OF CHATTANOOGA**  
**PURSUANT TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996**

COME NOW, The Electric Power Board of Chattanooga ("EPB") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth"), and file this request for approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated May 11, 2001 (the "Amendment") negotiated between the two companies pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, (the "Act"). In support of their request, EPB and BellSouth state the following:

1. EPB and BellSouth have successfully negotiated an agreement for interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by BellSouth and the resale of BellSouth's telecommunications services to EPB. The Interconnection Agreement was approved by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") on August 17, 2001.
2. The parties have recently negotiated an Amendment to the Agreement which incorporates an option that will allow EPB to select a BellSouth provided LATA-wide local calling area. A copy of the Amendment is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

3. Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, EPB and BellSouth are submitting their Amendment to the TRA for its consideration and approval. The Amendment provides that either or both of the parties is authorized to submit this Amendment to the TRA for approval.

4. In accordance with Section 252(e) of the Act, the TRA is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated Amendment between BellSouth and within 90 days of its submission. The Act provides that the TRA may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

5. EPB and BellSouth aver that the Amendment is consistent with the standards for approval.

6. Pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Act, BellSouth shall make the Agreement available upon the same terms and conditions contained therein.

EPB and BellSouth respectfully request that the TRA approve the Amendment negotiated between the parties.

This 24<sup>th</sup> day of Sept, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

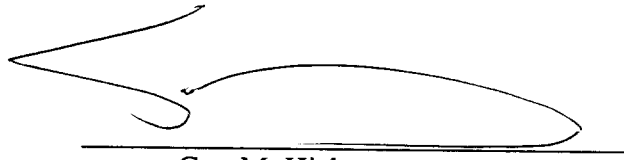
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# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Guy M. Hicks, hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement on the following via United States Mail on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of Sept., 2001:

Mr. W.E. Chapman, Jr.  
Senior Vice President  
Electric Power Board of Chattanooga  
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Guy M. Hicks

AMENDMENT TO  
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.  
AND  
ELECTRIC POWER BOARD OF CHATTANOOGA  
DATED MAY 11, 2001

This Agreement (the "Amendment") is made and entered into between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") a Georgia corporation, and Electric Power Board of Chattanooga ("EPB Telecommunications"), an independent board of the City of Chattanooga, a Tennessee municipal corporation, and shall be deemed effective as of the date of the last signature of both Parties ("Effective Date").

WHEREAS, The Parties desire to amend that certain Interconnection Agreement between BellSouth and EPB Telecommunications dated May 11, 2001 (the "Interconnection Agreement");

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual provisions contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, BellSouth and EPB Telecommunications hereby covenant and agree as follows:

1. The Parties agree to include the following Sections in Attachment 2 of the Agreement.
  - 4.1.3.2.1 Unbundled Local Switching, together with Common Transport and, if necessary, Tandem Switching, provides to EPB Telecommunications local subscribers local calling and the ability to presubscribe to a primary carrier for intraLATA toll service and a primary carrier for interLATA toll service.
  - 4.1.3.2.2 Provided that EPB Telecommunications purchases unbundled local switching from BellSouth and uses the BellSouth CIC for its end users' LPIC or if a BellSouth local end user selects BellSouth as its LPIC, then the Parties will consider as local any calls originated by an EPB Telecommunications local end user, or originated by a BellSouth local end user and terminated to an EPB Telecommunications local end user, where such calls originate and terminate in the same LATA, except for those calls originated and terminated through switched access arrangements (i.e., calls that are transported by a party other than BellSouth). For such calls, BellSouth will charge EPB Telecommunications the UNE elements for the BellSouth facilities utilized. Neither Party shall bill the other originating or terminating switched access charges for such calls. Intercarrier compensation for local calls between BellSouth and EPB Telecommunications shall be as described in BellSouth's UNE Local Call Flows set forth on BellSouth's web site.

- 4.1.3.2.3 Where EPB Telecommunications purchases unbundled local switching from BellSouth but does not use the BellSouth CIC for its end users' LPIC, BellSouth will consider as local those direct dialed telephone calls that originate from an EPB Telecommunications end user and terminate within the basic local calling area or within the extended local calling areas and that are dialed using 7 or 10 digits as defined and specified in Section A3 of BellSouth's General Subscriber Services Tariffs. For such local calls, BellSouth will charge EPB Telecommunications the UNE elements for the BellSouth facilities utilized. Intercarrier compensation for local calls between BellSouth and EPB Telecommunications shall be as described in BellSouth's UNE Local Call Flows set forth on BellSouth's web site.
- 4.1.3.2.4 For any calls that originate and terminate through switched access arrangements (i.e., calls that are transported by a party other than BellSouth), BellSouth shall bill EPB Telecommunications the UNE elements for the BellSouth facilities utilized. Each Party may bill the toll provider originating or terminating switched access charges, as appropriate.
- 4.1.3.2.5 Reverse billed toll calls, such as intraLATA 800 calls, calling card calls and third party billed calls, where BellSouth is the carrier shall also be considered as local calls and EPB Telecommunications shall not bill BellSouth originating or terminating switched access for such calls.
- 4.1.3.2.6 BellSouth shall assess retroactive charges for UNE transport and switching associated with using the BellSouth LPIC if a CLEC has been able to previously select BellSouth as the end user LPIC prior to the option allowing the selection of a BellSouth provided LATA-wide local calling area being offered.

5. The Parties agree that all of the other provisions of the Interconnection Agreement, dated May 11, 2001 shall remain in full force and effect.

6. Either or both of the Parties is authorized to submit this Amendment to the respective state regulatory authorities for approval subject to Section 252(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives on the data indicated below.

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

EPB Telecommunications

Chris Boltz  
Signature

W.E. Chapman, Jr.  
Signature

Chris Boltz  
Name

W.E. CHAPMAN, JR.  
Name

MANAGING DIRECTOR  
Title

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT  
Title

7/19/01  
Date

7/09/01  
Date